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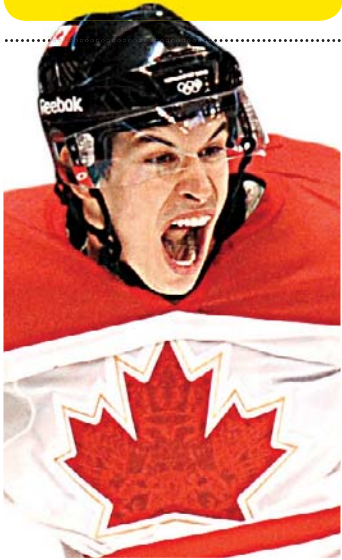
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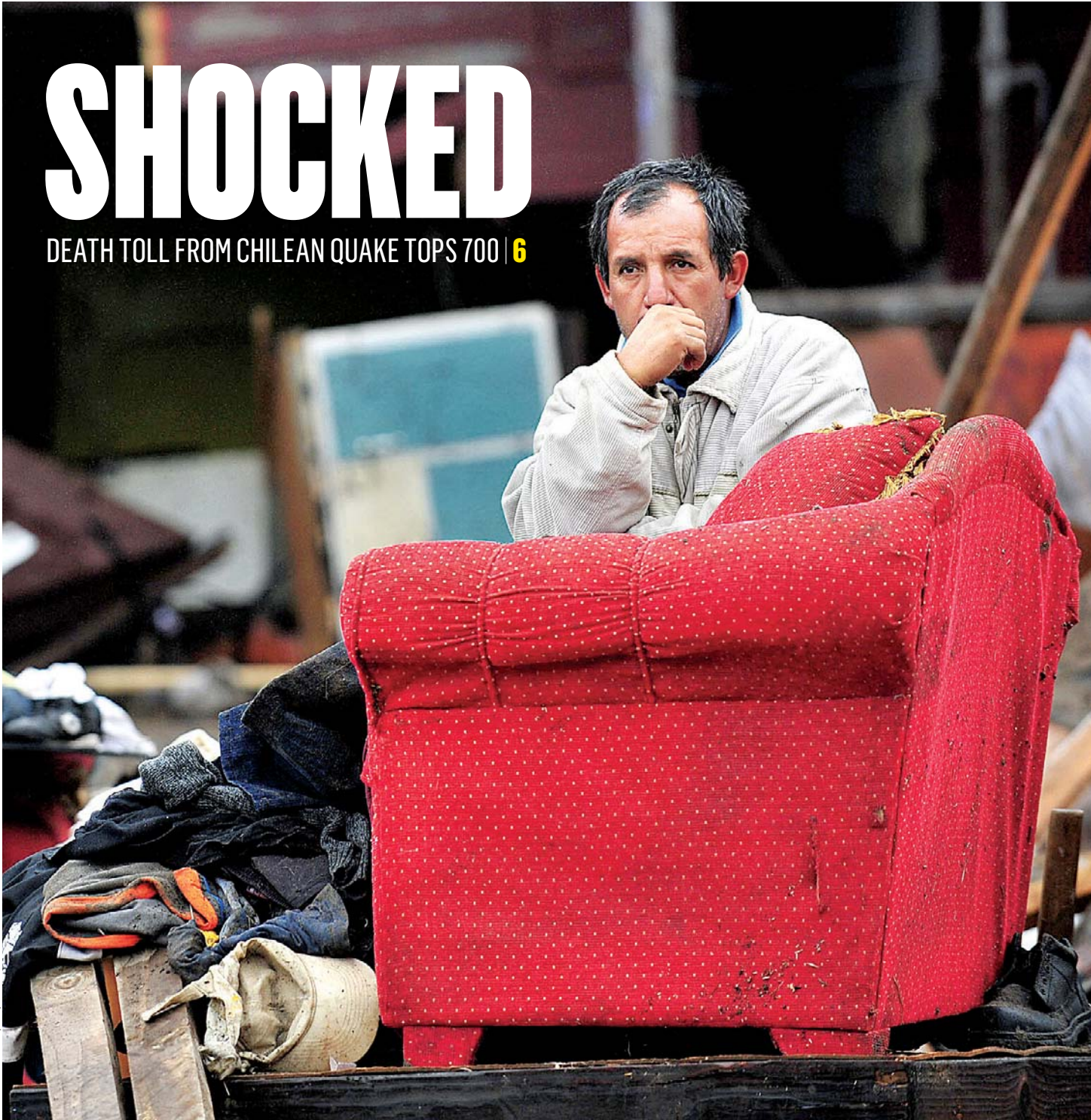
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A man sits among his belongings in Pueco, near Concepcion, Chile, on Sunday. Many remote areas were caught off guard by a tsunami set off by Saturday's 8.8-magnitude earthquake.



EYE OPENERS

Woman Brings Medieval Flair to Role of Crazy Mom

Police said the mother of a Memphis, Tenn., elementary school student drank a 40-ounce bottle of malt liquor before brandishing a sword in her child's school. The woman, 32, apparently intended to confront the parents of a child who had been in a spitting match with her child the day before. The woman was charged with aggravated assault and having a weapon on school property. (AP)

“My 2-year-old grandson knows who it was. He just looked at it and said, ‘That’s Papa Jesus.’”

— MARYANN MARSICO, A WORKER AT A SCRANTON, PA., PIZZERIA WHERE JESUS WAS SEEN IN A BUCKET OF SAUCE.

Police Have More Fun at Work Than You



Police officers in Dayton, Ohio, chugged alcoholic drinks last week as part of a training exercise in giving field sobriety tests. Several officers and deputy sheriffs volunteered. Officials wanted officers to drink until they had slurred speech, glassy eyes and a lack of coordination. One test required intoxicated officers to walk heel-to-toe down a line and then hold up one leg to demonstrate balance. (AP)

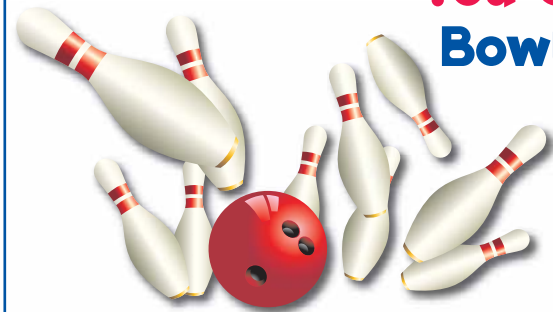
The Big Picture



HINDU DEVOTEES bathe in color at Bankey Bihari Temple in Vrindavan, India, on Sunday. The tradition has its roots in legend: The god Krishna was jealous of the goddess Radha's fair skin. His mother told him he could make Radha's face any color he wanted, so he painted her face. (EXPRESS)

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GOP Senator: Unemployment Help Will Pass

Washington

The Senate's second-ranking Republican leader says he expects his party's lawmakers will vote to extend unemployment benefits this week despite a fellow Republican's objections. Sen. Jon Kyl of Arizona says the extension will pass, but only because it's temporary.

The benefits are part of a larger package of government programs that expired Sunday. Last week, Democrats couldn't overcome the objections of Sen. Jim Bunning, R-Ky., who said the \$10 billion measure would add to the budget deficit. (AP)

Hearsay

"I've had enough of the limelight. You will not see me opining [on current events]."



— FORMER PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH, IN A SPEECH SATURDAY AT FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IN DALLAS.

Pelosi Tells Party to Be Selfless

Speaker: Dems need to ignore potential fallout of health vote

Washington

The White House called for a "simple up-or-down" vote on health care legislation Sunday as House Speaker Nancy Pelosi appealed to House Democrats to get behind President Obama's chief domestic priority even if it threatens their political careers.

In voicing support for a simple majority vote, White House health reform director Nancy-Ann DeParle signaled Obama's intention to push the Democratic-crafted bill under Senate rules that would overcome GOP stalling tactics.

"We're not talking about changing any rules here," DeParle said. "All the president's talking about is: Do we need to address this problem, and does it make sense to have a simple, up-or-down vote on whether or not we want to fix these problems?"

In a sober call to arms, Pelosi said lawmakers sometimes must



MANUEL BALCEGA/GETTY IMAGES

"We're not here just to self-perpetuate our service in Congress. We're here to do the job for the American people."

— SPEAKER NANCY PELOSI, CALLING ON HER PARTY TO UNITE ON A HEALTH CARE BILL.

enact policies that, even if unpopular at the moment, will help the public. "We're not here just to self-perpetuate our service in Congress," she said. "We're here to do the job for the American people."

Pelosi said it took courage for Congress to pass Social Security

and Medicare, which eventually became highly popular, "and many of the same forces that were at work decades ago are at work again against this bill."

It's unclear whether Pelosi's remarks will embolden or chill dozens of moderate House Democrats

Shining Stars



The Senate's Republican leader said the White House's health care summit last week was important because it allowed GOP lawmakers to show their expertise on the issue and explain their opposition. Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., said the summit gave his party the chance "to display some of our brightest, most knowledgeable Republicans." (AP)

ocrats who face withering criticism of the health care proposal in visits with constituents and in national polls.

Pelosi's comments seemed to acknowledge the widely held view that Democrats will lose House seats this fall — maybe a lot. Pelosi stopped well short of suggesting Democrats could lose their majority, but she called on members of her party to make a bold move on health care.

"Time is up," she said. "We really have to go forth." JIM KUHNHEIN (AP)

TRENDS



Just over a quarter of American adults now read news on their cell phones, according to a new report from the Pew Research Center. The survey results offer another sign of how people are changing they way they get information. About 43 percent of those under 50 said they are mobile news consumers, compared with 15 percent of older respondents. The No. 1 query of people looking for news on their phones was the weather. (AP)

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JFK airport repair will have widespread impact on air traffic

New York

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The main runway at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport will be closed for four months starting March 1. Millions of travelers will experience delays — including some not flying anywhere near the Big Apple.

With about one-third of JFK's traffic and half of its departures being diverted to three smaller runways, planes will wait in longer lines on the ground for takeoffs and in the air for landings. The effects of delays at one of the nation's largest airports will ripple to cities across the U.S., including Los Angeles, San Francisco and Orlando.

Passengers using JFK also face another headache — higher ticket prices. JetBlue, American, Delta and other airlines have cut their schedules by about 10 percent for



The grounds of John F. Kennedy International Airport will be congested for a while.

Top Destinations

The five most common domestic destinations from JFK Airport:

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the shutdown period. They can also raise prices because there will be less seats available.

JFK's Bay Runway, at 14,572 feet, is one of the longest commercial runways in the world. The runway is being repaved with concrete instead of less-durable asphalt and widened to accommodate today's bigger planes.

Mike Sammartino of the Federal Aviation Administration expects delays at JFK will be about 50 minutes during peak times and 29 minutes on average — similar to busy summer days.

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Doctors Give Obama a Clean Bill of Health

But president is told to quit smoking and watch his cholesterol

Washington

President Obama hasn't kicked the smoking habit, takes anti-inflammatory medication to relieve chronic tendinitis in his left knee and should eat better to lower his cholesterol, his team of doctors concluded Sunday after the 48-year-old's first medical checkup as commander in chief.

The hoops-happy chief executive, who has endured an exhausting White House run and a frenzied first year in office, was otherwise



President Obama gives a thumbs-up after returning from a medical exam Sunday.

declared to be in excellent health.

The White House physician, Navy Capt. Jeffrey Kuhlman, said

Obama should stick with "smoking cessation efforts," the use of nicotine gum, and come back in August

2011 after he turns 50.

Obama cholesterol levels have crept up to borderline high, and he should alter his diet accordingly, according to a report the White House released after the 90-minute examination at National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md.

The president is the picture of health, eats modest portions and exercises regularly. The slightly elevated cholesterol levels, tendinitis in his left knee and occasional smoking were the only negatives noted in the doctors' report.

Obama in June said that he still had an occasional cigarette. It was his first public acknowledgment that he hadn't kicked the habit.

STEVEN R. HURST (AP)

GOODBYES



Employees wept on Saturday at SeaWorld in Orlando, Fla., as the park's killer whale show resumed with a memorial for a trainer killed last week. The show had been shut down since the death of trainer Dawn Brancheau, 40, who drowned after being pulled into a tank by an orca. A video tribute to her was played during the Saturday show. (AP)

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Chile Reels From Massive Quake

Death toll tops 700 as rescuers attempt to reach remote regions

Santiago, Chile

The death toll continued to rise as emergency workers fanned out on Sunday from the Chilean capital of Santiago south to a 375-mile stretch of coastline where the majority of the residents in an area hard-hit by Saturday's earthquake have no access to food, water or electricity.

President Michelle Bachelet said that at least 708 people were killed and that Chile faces "a catastrophe of such unthinkable magnitude that it will require a giant effort" to recover.

Communications with even the larger cities in the region was sporadic. Minor outlying villages and smaller cities have yet to see the first signs of outside aid. At sunrise, those who attempted to reenter their damaged homes to retrieve goods and food were forced to evacuate again when a powerful 6.3-magnitude aftershock hit, knocking down more buildings.

Chilean officials warned that at least 1.5 million citizens were affected, and that half a million homes may have been damaged by one of the most powerful earthquakes on record, the magnitude-8.8 temblor that struck around 3:34 Saturday morning. But the quake's epicenter near fairly unpopulated areas along the Pacific shoreline raised special challenges for those trying to find and assist its victims Sunday.

"Our biggest problem is in the Juan Fernandez region [the Robinson Crusoe Islands]," said Ivan de la Maza, regional governor of the hard hit Valparaiso region. Multiple ocean swells estimated at 30 feet — 10 times higher than the relatively mild tsunami waves that reached distant Hawaii — demolished the coastal villages in the islands, 415



Left: People stand on a bridge in Pelluhue, Chile, that was damaged during Saturday's earthquake. Right: Rescuers pull the body of a quake victim out of a collapsed building.

Seismic Comparisons

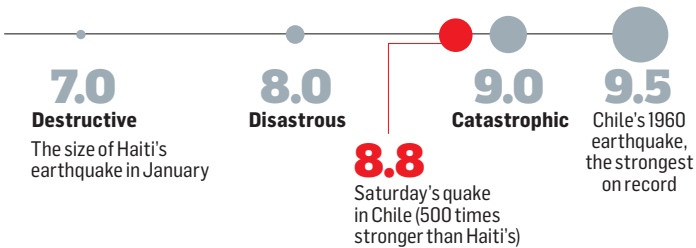
LESS DEADLY THAN HAITI'S

The most striking outcome of the 8.8-magnitude earthquake that struck Chile so far appears to be the comparatively low number of deaths, now estimated in the hundreds, in stark comparison to the hundreds of thousands who perished in Haiti's Jan. 12 quake, which was roughly 500 times weaker. The difference is attributable partly to the Chilean earthquake's 22-mile depth and the remoteness of the affected region.

HISTORY OFFERS HELP

Chile sits in the "ring of fire" earthquake zone and is accustomed to massive temblors, including the largest on record, a 9.5-magnitude quake that hit Valdivia, Chile, in 1960. The temblor left about 1,655 people dead and 2 million homeless. Yet, it helped forge strong building codes that kept many buildings from simply flattening as they underwent a half-minute of heavy shaking on Saturday. (TWP/CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR)

TEMBLOR STRENGTH BY MAGNITUDE:



miles west of the mainland. Residents there did not feel the earthquake, and most of them were asleep when huge ocean swells flooded the town at 6 a.m. Saturday. When rescue crews arrived Sunday, they found the tsunami had churned houses and boats into mountains of debris before pulling them back into the Pacific. Aerial photos of the area look like a huge rake pulled whole communities from the shore to the ocean, leaving entire streets erased. The islands are home to an estimated 600 permanent residents, and an estimated 200 tourists were believed to be visiting, many at waterside bed and breakfasts. With most homes built of wood and lightly balanced on foundations, the structures first floated inland, then were smashed by subsequent swells described by the local mayor as "a train" of 10-foot-high waves. JONATHAN FRANKLIN AND R. JEFFREY SMITH (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Tsunami Gentle on Asian Coasts

Scores flee shorelines in Pacific nations, but threat is overstated

Tokyo

A tsunami that raced across the Pacific swiped island nations and Asian coasts lightly Sunday, proving to be more spectacle than destructive force for communities that had hours to prepare after Chile's devastating earthquake.

Hundreds of thousands of people fled shorelines for higher ground after the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center in Hawaii warned that a tsunami had been generated by Saturday's magnitude-8.8 quake earthquake. After the center lifted its warning, some countries kept their own watches in place as a precaution.

As it crossed the Pacific, the tsunami dealt populated areas — including the state of Hawaii — only a glancing blow.

The tsunami raised fears Pacific nations could suffer from disastrous waves like those that killed 230,000

"Failure to warn is not an option for us. We cannot have a situation that we thought was no problem and then it's devastating."

— **DAI LIN WANG**, OCEANOGRAPHER AT THE PACIFIC TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER IN HAWAII, DEFENDING THE CENTER'S INCORRECT PREDICTION OF A DEVASTATING TSUNAMI.



A fisherman observes his boat in the Japanese port of Minami-sanriku on Sunday.

people around the Indian Ocean in December 2004, which happened with little-to-no warning.

Officials said the opposite occurred after the Chile quake: They overstated their predictions of the size of the waves and the threat.

"We expected the waves to be bigger in Hawaii, maybe about 50 percent bigger than they actually

were," said Gerard Fryer, a geophysicist for the warning center.

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The number of nations and territories that were warned about the tsunami by the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center.

Japan, fearing the tsunami could gain force as it moved closer, put all of its eastern coastline on tsunami alert and ordered hundreds of thousands of residents in low-lying areas to seek higher ground as waves raced across the Pacific at hundreds of miles per hour.

The biggest wave hit the northern island of Hokkaido. There were no immediate reports of damage from the 4-foot-high wave.

ERIC TALMADGE (AP)

In Brief

MARJA, AFGHANISTAN

Troops to Stay for Months

More than 2,000 U.S. Marines and about 1,000 Afghan troops who stormed the Taliban town of Marja as part of a major NATO offensive against a resurgent Taliban will stay several months to ensure insurgents don't return, Marine commanders said Sunday. (AP)

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Police: Hamas Operative Was Drugged, Suffocated

The assassins of a senior Hamas operative used a powerful muscle relaxant to incapacitate Mahmoud al-Mabhouh before suffocating him with a pillow in his hotel room, Dubai police said Sunday, in the latest revelations from the slaying local authorities have blamed on Israel. (AP)

BAGHDAD

PM Defends Election Ban

Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki on Sunday defended a ban of hundreds of candidates with alleged ties to Saddam Hussein's former regime, calling it a legitimate decision that would not affect Sunni turnout at the polls on March 7. (AP)

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World**Violent Storm Kills 45 in France**

At least six others die in Europe due to fierce rain, winds

Paris

A violent late winter-storm with fierce rain and hurricane-strength winds ripped across western Europe on Sunday, battering France and four other countries, leaving at least 51 people dead.

The storm, named Xynthia, was the worst in France since 1999 when 90 people died. Prime Minister Francois Fillon held an emergency Cabinet meeting and afterward called the storm a "national catastrophe."



Rescuers retrieve a child from a flooded home in La Rochelle, France, on Sunday.

XAVIER LEOTY/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Many of the at least 45 victims in France drowned, and others died when hit by parts of buildings or trees and branches that were ripped off by the wind. At least a dozen people were missing Sunday, and 59 others were injured.

Three people died in Spain, one was killed in Germany, and a child was crushed to death in Portugal. The storm also hit Belgium, with one death reported there.

Nearly 900,000 people in France were without electricity.

Sea walls broke in the town of L'Aguillon, where the ocean waters reached the roofs of some homes. Helicopters lifted people to safety throughout the day.

DEBORAH SEWARD (AP)

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Miyori in the Sacred Forest

March 10 @ 6:30 pm

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Racial Lines Divide D.C. on Fenty

Poll: Blacks say mayor is out of touch; whites call him trustworthy

Washington

Mayor Adrian Fenty was racing through the District's Southeast neighborhoods, shoveling sidewalks for seniors in Fairlawn, whacking tennis balls with youngsters in Hillcrest and posing for photos with teenage boxers at a recreation center in Bellevue.

Four years ago, these predominantly black communities embraced the young, energetic street-level campaigner, giving Fenty strong majorities to help him win in all wards and across the city's demographic groups. But the smiles and handshakes at his public appearances last month belie the mayor's vulnerability, particularly among blacks, as he seeks reelection in September.

Interviews with residents and former city officials, and a Washington Post poll show that Fenty has been traipsing through hostile territory. While the mayor's approval



JENNA ISAACSON/AP

Adrian Fenty's approval ratings are lowest in predominantly black Wards 7 and 8.

"[D.C.] is more divided than ever before. That's the biggest disappointment."

— ISAAC FULWOOD, WARD 7 RESIDENT AND D.C. POLICE CHIEF FROM 1989 TO 1993.

rating has dropped throughout the city, nowhere are his numbers more troubling than in predominantly black Wards 7 and 8.

The divide between how whites and blacks view Fenty has much to do with the gap between expectation and experience, and the view among many blacks that the

mayor is insensitive to their needs and more aligned with the wave of gentrifiers who are diluting the District's longstanding black majority.

Many blacks expected their political and emotional chemistry with Fenty during his 2006 campaign would translate to his

governing. But the relationship has eroded over a string of events during his tenure, leading many blacks to conclude that Fenty is out of touch and that he does not understand their concerns.

Majorities of whites give the mayor positive marks, according to the poll, compared to less than one-third of blacks. While most white respondents view Fenty as honest, trustworthy and understanding of their problems, the opposite holds for majorities of blacks.

Isaac Fulwood Jr., a Ward 7 resident and D.C. police chief from 1989 to 1993, backed Fenty's first mayoral bid. He said that he expected that Fenty's election would bring a government more responsive to his part of the city, where residents have long felt neglected. He thought Fenty, the son of a black father and white mother, would pull together newcomers and longtime residents like him.

Instead, Fulwood said, "The city is now more divided than ever before. That's the biggest disappointment." ANN E. MARIMOW AND JENNI-FER AGIESTA (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Man Arrested In Connection With Abduction

Arlington, Va.

Arlington police say they have made an arrest in connection with a Feb. 10 abduction and are investigating whether the suspect was involved in another abduction this weekend.

Police say 21-year-old Jorge "George" Torrez of Arlington was arrested late Saturday at Henderson Hall, where he is stationed as a member of the armed forces.

Torrez was charged with abduction and robbery in the Feb. 10 incident, in which an armed man tried to force a woman into a car. Police say the woman resisted but ultimately surrendered her purse. (AP)

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PET PROJECT

It may not have the cuddly appeal of a giant panda, but the National Zoo is predicting its new giant Pacific octopus will be a major draw. The octopus arrived at the zoo in late January. It's 2 1/2 years old and weighs just 3 pounds. The zoo says that over the next year it will grow to be more than 13 times its current size. It's believed to be a male, but the zoo says it may need more time to confirm that. The zoo plans to name the octopus this month. (AP)

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16 at Hospital Fired After Snow Absences

Union files grievance; staffers at WHC face internal investigations

Washington

The District's largest private hospital has fired 11 nurses and five support staff members who failed to make it to work during the back-to-back snowstorms that paralyzed the region earlier this month. Dozens of staff members at Washington Hospital Center face internal investigations, union representatives say, and it is unclear how many employees will lose their jobs. On Friday, the nurses union, Nurses United of the National Cap-



Nurse Geri Lee was fired after she didn't make it to work during the last snowstorm.

ital Region, filed a class-action grievance with the hospital. "I see it as so unfair and uncaring," said Shirley Ricks, a 57-year-old nurse who has spent her entire career at the hospital. "That's it. You call in one day in the biggest snowstorm in histo-

ry and you're out. No ifs, ands or buts about it. ... You go from getting a salary every two weeks to nothing. It's scary." In a letter sent to the staff on Friday, hospital President Harry J. Rider sought to quell rumors that hundreds of people had been fired. He said he expects fewer than 20 people will be dismissed. Hospital spokeswoman So Young Pak said she could not comment on specific cases or personnel issues, but "we do not terminate any associates without a fair process. We always review the entire situation with the final decision based on all facts and circumstances." **THERESA VARGAS (THE WASHINGTON POST)**

Historic U Street Gets Audio Tour

Washington

The historic district of Washington once known as the "Black Broadway" now has its own neighborhood heritage trail and visitor center. The group Cultural Tourism D.C. introduced an audio tour Friday for Washington's U Street area. A visitor center is opening near 12th and U streets. Stops on the tour include the restored Lincoln Theatre and the site of the first luxury hotel for blacks in the once-segregated city. Narrators for the audio tour include Kamal Ben Ali, co-owner of Ben's Chili Bowl, and Korva Coleman of National Public Radio. (AP)

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Tricks to Capture Your Interest

Bank rates will be rising soon enough; here's how to prepare

Personal Finance

The rate hikes are coming! The rate hikes are coming!

Eventually.

Days after the Federal Reserve seemed to sound the alarm that the era of near-zero interest rates is ending, Chairman Ben Bernanke tempered those expectations a bit last week. Nonetheless, it behooves investors to be ready, regardless of whether rate hikes come in 2010 or not until next year.

Despite what some may think, moving toward higher rates will be good news in many ways. It means yields from CDs, and savings and money-market accounts won't be minuscule much longer. It could even bode well for certain types of stocks.

But higher interest rates are bad for bonds and may make some other holdings less appealing too, especially once inflation starts



Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke could raise interest rates by year's end.

rising. So, investors should take a close look at what they own.

Bonds

Bonds are in line to experience the biggest fallout, since they generally move inversely to interest rates. When interest rates exceed the rate on a previously issued bond, the bond's value on the open market drops.

That could be costly for investors, who poured more than \$400 billion into bond funds since the start of 2009, according to the Investment Company Institute.

Be wary of being overly invested in bonds and consider reallocating, says Brad Sorensen, director of market and sector analysis for the Schwab Center for Financial Research in Denver.

Stocks

Overall market returns may be harder to come by when the Fed determines it needs to raise interest rates to try to keep the economy from growing too fast. But stocks should still climb.

All told, the Fed has moved 13 times since 1946 to raise rates, usually in a series of increases lasting about 25 months. The Standard & Poor's 500 index has risen a not-too-paltry 6.2 percent on average in the year following the start of the process, according to Sam Stovall, S&P's chief investment strategist.

Saving and Borrowing

Long-suffering savers can look forward to a time when their money can grow at a decent clip again while sitting in the bank.

At the same time, rising rates will make mortgages and other loans more expensive. If you're thinking about buying a home or refinancing an existing mortgage, it might be time to consider locking in those low, low rates. **DAVE CARPENTER (AP)**

DISCUSSIONS

Insurance

Some of the methods that are used to compute car insurance rates are beyond your control, but there are some things you can do to keep your premiums low. Here are four things to keep in mind when it comes to car coverage.

Keep Your Driving Record Clean.

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Vancouver 2010



Canada's Sidney Crosby celebrates after scoring the game-winning goal against the U.S. hockey team on Sunday. He now adds a gold medal to his Stanley Cup trophy.

American Dreams Put on Ice

Crosby nets golden goal in overtime to lift Canada past U.S.

Ice Hockey

Canada beat the United States 3-2 on Sunday to win the Olympic gold medal in its national sport of hockey, with Sidney Crosby scoring the winning goal 7:40 into overtime and setting off a celebration from coast to coast.

The perfect end to the Olympics for the host country, the gold medal was Canada's 14th, breaking the record for the most won by a nation at a Winter Games. The Soviet Union in 1976 and Norway in 2002 each won 13.

The entire hockey-crazed nation was stunned when Zack Parise scored to tie the game for the U.S. with 24.4 seconds remaining in regulation. But Crosby's shot from the lower part of the left circle eluded goalie Ryan Miller, and Canada Hockey Place erupted in deafening cheers. "It doesn't feel real. It feels like a dream. It just feels like dream," Crosby said.



U.S. goalie Brad Miller falls to the ice after surrendering the winning goal Sunday.

Minutes after the game ended, delirious fans chanted, "Crosby! Crosby! Crosby!" and International Olympic Committee president Jacques Rogge gave a raise-the-roof sign to the fans before presenting Crosby with his medal. Celebrations spilled into streets of cities across the country.

In one of the greatest games in Olympic history, Canada's collection of all-stars held off a young U.S. team that had upset the hosts 5-3 in round-robin play a week earlier. That loss forced the Canadians to play an extra game to reach the gold medal match.

To win, Canada withstood a remarkable and determined effort from a United States team that wasn't supposed to medal, much less roll through the tournament unbeaten before losing in the first overtime gold medal game since NHL players began taking part in the Olympics in 1998.

Miller, the tournament MVP, was exceptional, and Parise scored a goal that — if the U.S. had won — would rank among the storied moments in American Olympic history. ALAN ROBINSON (AP)

Medal Count



▲ United States TOTAL: 37

COUNTRY				T
Germany	10	13	7	30
Canada	14	7	5	26
Norway	9	8	6	23
Austria	4	6	6	16
Russia	3	5	7	15
S. Korea	6	6	2	14
China	5	2	4	11
Sweden	5	2	4	11
France	2	3	6	11

Top Performer



Petter Northug, Norway:

Northug used his trademark sprint to push past Axel Teichmann of Germany on the final straightaway to win the men's 50-kilometer classical cross-country race in the next-to-last event of the Vancouver Games. The Norwegian, seen above being embraced by teammate Odd-Bjoern Hjeltnes, finished Sunday's race in 2 hours, 5 minutes, 35.5 seconds, for his second gold medal of the Olympics.

Hearsay

"I have that gold medal. And despite everyone else's expectations, my goals were simply to win one medal. And that's what I did."

— LINDSEY VONN, saying she's pleased with her medal haul in Vancouver.



GAMBLING

Something was brewing in U.S.-Canada relations Sunday. President Obama bet a case of beer with Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper on the outcome of Sunday's U.S.-Canada gold medal hockey game, which Canada won 3-2. Obama had a case of Yuengling, a Pennsylvania regional brew, riding on the game, while Harper wagered 24 bottles of Molson. There's no word where or when Obama would pay up. (AP)

Vancouver 2010

AMY SANCETTA/AP; CLIVE MASON/GETTY IMAGES



Apo Anton Ohno, left, won one silver and two bronzes in Vancouver in helping the U.S. win the most medals of the games. On the slopes, Julia Mancuso and Lindsey Vonn, right, each won two medals amid their feud.

U.S. Builds to a Record Performance

Athletes' success comes at a key time for USOC's future

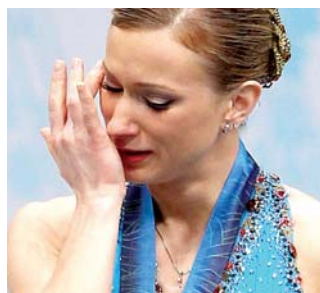
Medal Haul

The U.S. men's hockey team lost to Canada in Sunday's gold-medal game, but the Americans' silver medal put the finishing touch on a historic two weeks that have provided a major boost to the U.S. Olympic movement at a time it was in desperate need of revival.

The hockey team's silver was the 37th medal of the Vancouver Games for the United States, breaking the record for total medals won by one nation at a Winter Games set by Germany in 2002. This is also the first Winter Olympics in 78 years in which the United States has hauled in more medals than any other participant.

As the U.S. Olympic Committee forges into an uncertain economic future knowing it faces at least a 20-year gap between Olympics on U.S. soil, the implications of this year's surprising medal windfall are significant. The unexpected U.S. dominance in familiar pursuits such

Olympic Memories



1 **Figure skater Joannie Rochette** won the bronze days after her mother died. Her emotional journey ended with her carrying Canada's flag in the closing ceremonies Sunday.

3 **Russian figure skater Evgeni Plushenko** nailed a quadruple jump, yet he'll be remembered more for his unsportsmanlike act of jumping on the gold-medal podium after finishing second to Evan Lysacek.

4 **Apo Anton Ohno** didn't win gold this year, but he did leave Vancouver as the most-decorated U.S. winter Olympian. A bronze in the short-track speedskating relay left Ohno with eight career medals.



2 **The iconic cauldron** became the symbol of a series of glitches. The indoor cauldron malfunctioned in the opening ceremonies, and then the outdoor structure was obscured by a chain-link fence.



5 **The death of Georgian luger Nodar Kumaritashvili** cast a shadow over the Vancouver Olympics and reignited the debate about safety at the Winter Games.

as alpine skiing to the more obscure disciplines such as Nordic combined yielded important increases in television ratings, media coverage and sponsor involvement.

With the USOC bracing for continued fallout from the economic downturn and potentially decreasing or flat revenues from soon-to-be negotiated television and sponsor deals, Team USA's monumental overachievement brought a tide of fresh optimism.

"I can't imagine a better property to sell right now," said Mark Lewis,

president and chief executive of the Olympic ticketing company Jet Set Sports, a U.S. Olympic team sponsor. "The internal politics of the Olympic movement don't matter to sponsors. At the end of the day, it's the performance of the athletes that matters."

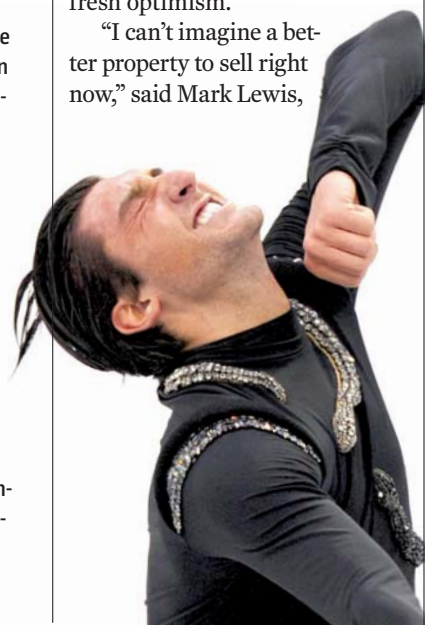
Officials and athletes attribute America's recent winter-sport success to a decade of targeted increases in funding, and better communication and cooperation between the USOC and its various national sport governing bodies.

After a string of sub-par performances that included a 13-medal tally at the 1998 Winter Games in Nagano, the USOC increased winter sports funding significantly heading into the 2002 games in Salt Lake City. After the 2006 games in Turin, money allocated to winter sports grew by an additional 50 percent.

"In Nagano, we felt like we were a small country ... one of the outsiders at the Winter Olympics," said Bill Demong, a gold medalist in Nordic combined. "Now we're here to win."

AMY SHIPLEY (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Evan Lysacek upset Russian figure skater Evgeni Plushenko for the gold.



Seminoles Breeze Past Lady Terrapins

Terps Hoops

Ninth-ranked Florida State cruised to its eighth-straight victory Sunday, getting 15 points each from Courtney Ward and Christian Hunnicutt in a 94-61 rout of Maryland.

Angel Gray scored 14 points, and Jacinta Monroe had 13 for the Seminoles (26-4, 12-2 Atlantic Coast Conference). Florida State shot 59 percent, went 12 for 16 from beyond the arc and forced 23 turnovers.

The Seminoles went 8-0 in February and will enter the ACC tournament this week as the No. 2 seed behind Duke.

Diandra Tchatchouang led Maryland with 23 points, and Lynetta Kizer added 17. The Terrapins (18-11, 5-9) have lost five of seven and are 6-9 since starting 12-2.

Florida State shot 62 percent from the floor in taking a 47-32 halftime lead, then opened the second half with a 15-4 run to go up by 26. The margin reached 30 with 12:17 remaining.

On Senior Day at Comcast Center, Terrapins coach Brenda Frese bid farewell to only one player: Illinois transfer Lori Bjork, who played one season at Maryland.

DAVID GINSBURG (AP)

Stoudemire's 41 Not Enough Against Spurs



DARREN ABATE/AP

THE SUNS' AMARE STOUDEMIRE dunks on the Spurs' Richard Jefferson Sunday. Stoudemire scored a season-high 41 points, but Phoenix lost 113-110.

TV Lineup

HOYAS HOOPS (7 P.M., ESPN) The up-and-down Hoyas battle Big East rival West Virginia.
MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS (9 P.M., ESPN) Oklahoma and Texas meet in a Big 12 duel.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS (7 P.M., ESPN2) No. 1 Connecticut has said it won't rest its starters against Notre Dame even though the Huskies have clinched the Big East title.
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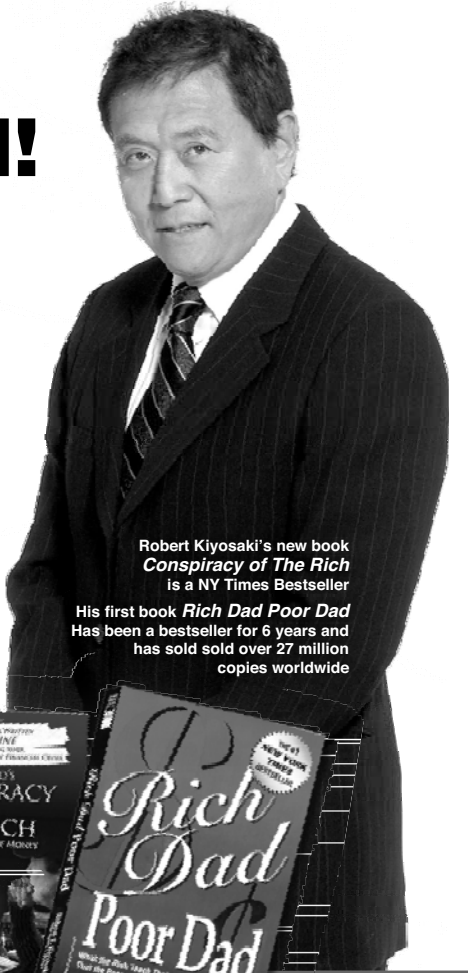
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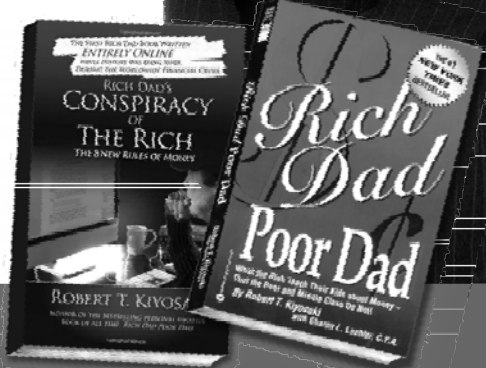
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Booze Clues

Slider Therapy

Maybe it's Seasonal Affective Disorder. Maybe your girlfriend just dumped you because "she couldn't handle another Valentine's Day." Maybe Delta Air Lines just ruined your carefully calibrated travel plans by rescheduling the one flight that could get you from a wedding to a graduation. Whatever: When I'm upset with life, I go to Zola (800 F St. NW). It's not what you expect a comforting bar to be — no fireplace, no grotty regulars, no generically cozy trappings.

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Take Wing

If comfort for you is not high ceilings and large windows, how about a nice little dive bar? Lucky Bar (1345 Connecticut Ave. NW) is a dark, sticky, yet good-natured place, with sports on TV and wings in the basket in front of you. There are food and drink specials all week, but we recommend Tuesday nights for 15-cent wings that will blow your mind.

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Images From the Inside

Ryan Adams & the Cardinals' guitarist offers an intimate look at the band

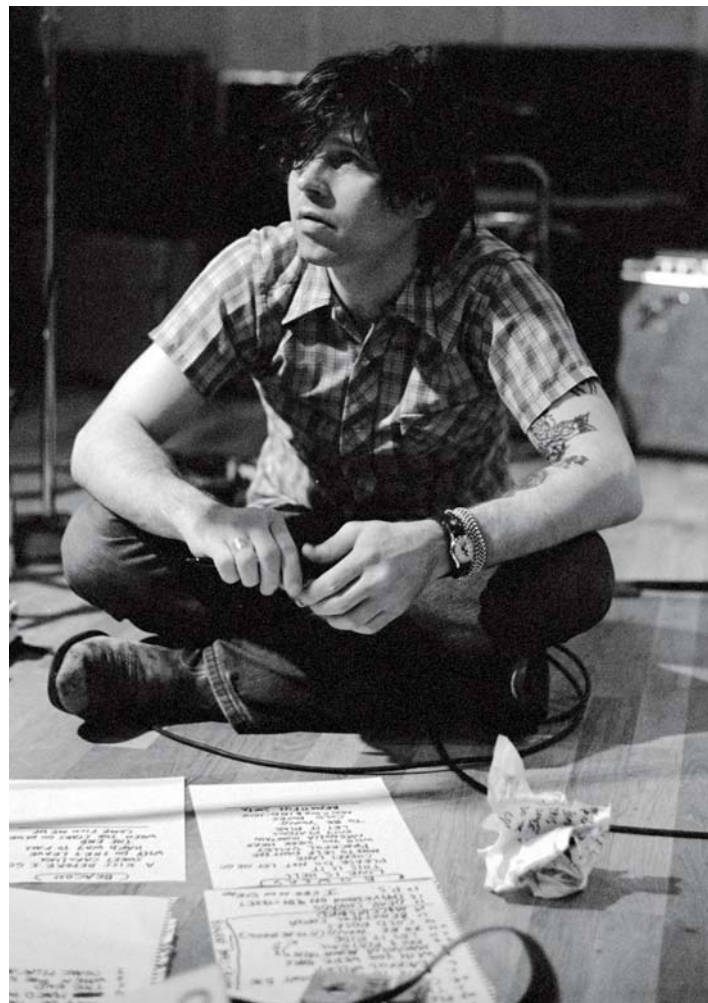
Music

A tour photography book runs the risk of being redundant: photographs of the same band playing onstage can blur into monotony, in much the same way various cities can meld together indistinctly to a touring band.

But "A View of Other Windows" (\$25, Abrams), which documents Ryan Adams & the Cardinals, avoids that pitfall in two ways. First, these are not just tour photographs; they capture the entire run of the Cardinals: rehearsing, recording, songwriting and touring. Second, all images were taken by Cardinals guitarist Neal Casal, giving an interesting spin on the behind-the-scenes photo format.

Casal's photographs show the band hard at work in the studio or relaxing during one of its many tours, and there is a casualness and lack of pretense that comes from having the photographer be "one of the guys." Even though these aren't "professional" photographs, Casal is no amateur; he has a consistent style and point of view.

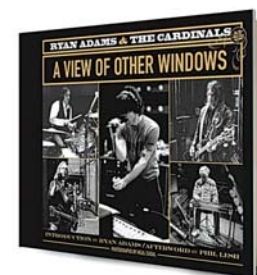
Certainly, nearly every recording studio begins to look alike — except for the shots of the group's participation in Willie Nelson's "Songbird" sessions, which are



Ryan Adams is caught on camera by Neal Casal in "A View of Other Windows."

the highlight of this collection — as does every soundcheck, tour bus and hotel. But the expressions and demeanors are different, and the reader can gain a sense of the energy and mood at the time just from the photographs.

These photographs don't capture Adams' notoriously difficult side; the only hint of his perfectionism and volatility is a photo of a recording board with a handwritten warning that reads, "Nobody touch reels 'til Ryan gets here."



View From Within

As the vision behind "A View of Other Windows," photographer/guitarist Neal Casal doesn't try to hide his involvement with Ryan Adams & the Cardinals. In fact, his reflection is visible in many of the backstage photos, making this book feel like a collection of candid shots instead of an the work of an outsider trying to project his perspective on his subjects. C.L.

Adams' almost-incoherent forward does help to convey his personality and sets a tone for the images: His somewhat tortured outlook projects an immediacy and urgency across many of Casal's photographs.

Oddly enough, there's also no mention of the death of Cardinals bassist Chris Feinstein in December 2009, although he is quoted several times throughout the book. His passing makes this collection that much more compelling: with Adams on an indefinite hiatus from music, Casal's collection is like peering backward into a period in musical history that is gone forever. CATHERINE LEWIS

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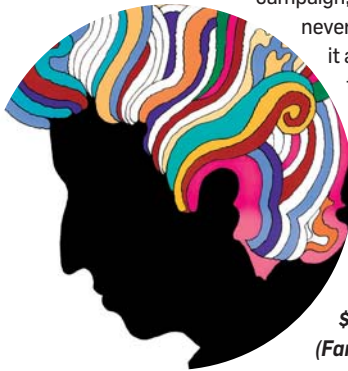
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1 Oh, Yes, They Can
Beer dinners are expanding their horizons. Café Saint Ex's beer dinner skips the craft beer/organic produce pairing and aims for fare that comes from cans. Don't worry: This doesn't mean downing PBR — you'll be sipping 21st Amendment or Bellhaven, among others, along with your meaty five-course dinner. **F.Z. Café Saint Ex, 1847 14th St. NW; 6 p.m.-9 p.m., \$70; 202-265-7839. (U St.-Cardozo)**

2 Taking It To the Street
The Intersections Arts festival aims to reflect the cultural diversity of the H Street neighborhood through music, storytelling, theater and dance. It rolled into the Atlas Center last week, but there are plenty of performances left to take in, like the Washington Savoyard's rendition of "Treemonisha," a sort of ragtime-opera hybrid. **F.Z. Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE; through March 7; 202-399-7993, Intersectionsdc.org.**

3 'I Heart Milton Glaser'
You've seen Milton Glaser's work, even if you don't know it. For one thing, he designed the "I Heart NY" campaign, which is so iconic you probably never thought of anyone coming up with it at all. The Corcoran is screening the documentary "Milton Glaser: To Inform and Delight" about the posters and images he made famous (such as his portrait of Bob Dylan, left). The film's director will take questions after the screening. **F.Z. Corcoran Gallery of Art, 500 17th St. NW; 7 p.m., \$15; 202-639-1700, Corcoran.org. (Farragut West)**



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Lifehouse's Jason Wade, second from left, makes earnest, clichéd lyrics relatable.

Welcome to the Promised Bland

Lifehouse returns with comfortably unmemorable songs

CD Review

As mainstream bands go, Lifehouse sticks pretty close to the middle of the road: utterly bland, pleasant but not particularly memorable, and comfortable without pushing any boundaries. Earnestness abounds on its fifth album, "Smoke & Mirrors": Guitar parts are played earnestly, vocalist Jason Wade sings earnestly, and his lyrics come across even more so. These are first-person narrative love songs that are certain to accompany countless love scenes in film and on TV, as their earlier work has.

But the one thing that Lifehouse does better than its contemporaries is to parse out lyrics that sound like something someone really would say. There's nothing revolutionary in Wade's pronouncement, "You said it, I get it, I guess it is what it is" ("It Is What It Is"), but it feels like the kind of nonspecific retort one would actually make at a relationship impasse.

There's an urgency in the title track, as Wade describes a rela-

tionship that's rapidly approaching its breaking point. His statement "what we had is everything I miss" might be cringe-worthy, but sometimes the simplest comments are the most direct, and Wade's dejected sigh draws focus to his disappointment.

Don't get us wrong, though: These are still cliché-riddled songs about love and breakups. They're just more conversational and straightforward than most. Wade expresses himself with simple sentiments and doesn't get bogged down in awkward-sounding lyrics or over-complicated metaphors.

And, hey, if we must have non-distinct adult-alternative music soundtracking the most heart-string-tugging moments in Hollywood, then we could do a lot worse than Lifehouse. At least the songs on "Smoke & Mirrors" are likely to complement any on-screen situation without detracting from it. These are songs that will go in one ear and out the other without disturbing anything in between.

CATHERINE LEWIS

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CBS
8:30



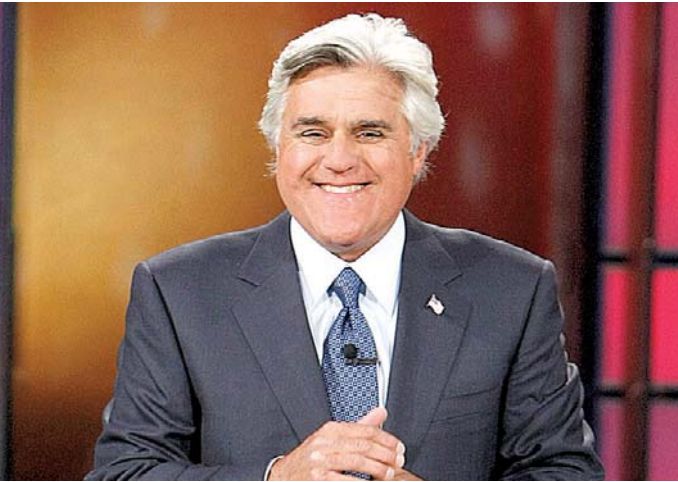
Rules of Engagement After Jeff (Patrick Warburton, left) takes Russell's advice and reciprocates a female colleague's flirting, he is startled to find that the woman wants to have an affair with him. Russell sends Timmy to retrieve his phone from an apartment after a one-night stand.

A&E
9:00

Intervention Meet Shane, a once-promising cellist and aspiring music producer who risks his future by abusing prescription drugs and even selling them out of his grandmother's house.

FOX
9:00

24 The Hassan family turmoil fans the flames of the increasingly urgent situation. Bauer closes in on a person of substantial interest. A tense meeting between President Taylor and Omar Hassan takes an unexpected turn. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



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THE TONIGHT SHOW

The Chin Is Back

NBC
11:35

Will all be forgiven when Jay Leno returns to "The Tonight Show"? His first guests are big names: Jamie Foxx, Lindsey Vonn and Brad Paisley. But for all of the talk about Jay versus Conan, the greatest damage done by the Leno experiment was to NBC's prime-time lineup. How much was the success of "The Good Wife" and the "The Mentalist" due to weak competition from NBC? And will viewers follow NBC's late-night dramas when they return to their proper times? Only time, and ratings, will tell. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Double Feature



Seconds?

In a special double bill of "Law & Order" (9 p.m., NBC), a runaway teen becomes a suspect after four members of a family are found slain, but a second suspect soon complicates the case in "Steel-Eyed Death." Then, when they find a charter-school student's burning body, Lupo and Bernard (Anthony Anderson, above, and Jeremy Sisto) question the youngster he mentored in "Boy on Fire." (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

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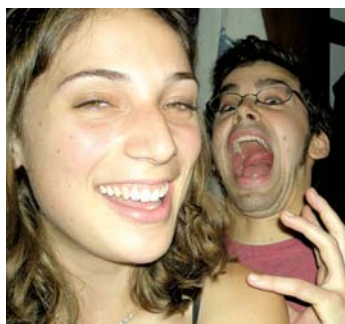
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Rachel Andrews, Zach Porter

Rachel, 26, is a newsletter editor. Zach, 25, is a grad student. They live in Arlington.

- **The Main Event:** A casual event March 20 in Fairfax. The music is TBD, but Rachel is considering a Charlie Parker jazz number or a piano piece inspired by the video game "Chrono Trigger."
- **How They Met:** He was a temp in her office. "I was drawn to him immediately, but I was seeing someone else, so we were just friends. People would raise an eyebrow at me over

him and I'd be, like, 'Whatever. He's like a brother to me.'" When she took a break from her S.O., he confessed his feelings and they started dating.

■ **First Impressions:** "I liked her immediately and frequently found reasons to go bug her at her desk."

■ **First Date:** "It feels like our first date lasted a few weeks," Rachel says: a Thai lunch, hiking at Great Falls, an evening at Karaoke Idol.

■ **How He Proposed:** They had a picnic on Theodore Roosevelt Island, and he sneaked the ring into the lunch box.

■ **Their Song:** "The Origin of Love" from "Hedwig and the Angry Inch."

■ **Family Traditions:** They're serving an old family recipe called "Grampie Punch": grape juice, orange juice and ginger ale.

"I liked her immediately and frequently found reasons to bug her at her desk."

Nicole Ferring, Karl Holovach

Nicole, 29, is a dietitian. Karl, 29, is a high school math teacher.

- **The Main Event:** On April 25, they'll get hitched in a semiformal ceremony on a Florida beach. Nicole will walk down the aisle to a guitarist playing and singing Jason Mraz's "I'm Yours."
- **Honeymoon:** A beer tour of Portland, Ore., and then 10 days in Hawaii.

■ **How They Met:** At a Halloween party. "I was dressed as a cat, and Karl was not in costume, though he was wearing a black Nike shirt and insisting he was a referee." "I really was a referee," Karl says.

■ **First Date:** They saw "Ame-lie."

■ **How He Proposed:** Karl cooked her favorite dish, stuffed peppers, right before getting down on one knee.

■ **Stupidest Fight:** When he



went to get a snack during a movie and came back from the kitchen with ice cream. "He didn't even offer to get me a bowl! I was livid. Tears, yelling, the works. I may have overreacted a bit."

■ **Family Traditions:** "I hope Karl's father will bring his accordion and play a polka."

■ **Making It Unique:** The taco bar, the get-away "Just Married" surrey bike, and the She-Ra and Skeletor toppers (which pay homage to their nicknames before they met) atop the groom's pie.



Mariel Cedeno, Stephen Edge

Mariel, 29, is a public health analyst. Stephen, 29, is a special education teacher.

■ **The Main Event:** They'll say "I do" on March 27 in the Dominican Republic, with 100 family members and friends looking on.

■ **How They Met:** As grad students at the State University of New York, Albany — but he was in his last semester and she was just starting. They reconnected in D.C. two years later as friends.

■ **First Date:** It lasted 10 hours, starting at the African-American Civil War Museum, followed by lunch, coffee, drinks and, finally, dessert.

"She said she didn't need an expensive ring; all she needed was an onion ring."

- **How He Proposed:** They picked up some onion rings and headed to the F.D.R. Memorial. Stephen placed an onion ring on Mariel's finger, saying that long ago she said "she didn't need an expensive ring; all she needed was an onion ring." When she ate it, he said, "Maybe an onion ring didn't last, but this one will," and pulled out a real ring.
- **Their Song:** "You Are My Starship," by Norman Connors, "because we feel like it describes our love for each other and how we met at the perfect time in our lives," Mariel says.
- **Stupidest Fight:** Over who would win in a fight: Tila Tequila or her ex Shawne Merriman, a San Diego Chargers linebacker.

Getting Married?

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Today's Question

DO YOU THINK ELLEN DEGENERES HAS BEEN A GOOD FIT ON 'AMERICAN IDOL' SO FAR?

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Friday's Results

DO YOU THINK THE WHALE THAT KILLED A TRAINER SHOULD BE EUTHANIZED?



"No, but it should be set free. Killer whales are not meant to be held captive as props for our amusement."

COMMENTER PHILIMUS

"The whale should not be euthanized. However, I think it should be kept away from people."

COMMENTER EVB7

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"Kevin Smith has been adamant about the fact that he didn't write this film, but I'm not buying it. While he may not have actually written the script initially, his fingerprints are ALL over this movie."

— PUNCHDRUNKCRITICS.BLOGSPOT.COM ENJOYED THE MOVIE "COP OUT" — STARRING TRACY MORGAN AND BRUCE WILLIS — MORE THAN HE THOUGHT HE WOULD.





"Charlotte basketball fans can only hope Michael Jordan is half as good at owning a team as he was playing for one."

— THEDAILYBEAST.COM REACTS TO NEWS THAT THE FORMER NBA BASKETBALL PLAYER HAS REACHED A DEAL TO PURCHASE THE CHARLOTTE BOBCATS.



"Poor Jennifer Lopez. She and her music company parted ways, so no album, and the release [of] 'The Back-Up Plan' got pushed back, but she'd agreed to host ['SNL'] already, so she had to go on."

— IMNOTOBSESSED.COM THOUGHT LOPEZ DID A GOOD JOB HOSTING "SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE" THIS WEEKEND EVEN THOUGH SHE DIDN'T HAVE A PRODUCT TO PROMOTE.



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Horoscope

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) It's important that you be fully ready for what is coming your way. There is no prize for coming in second — it's win or lose.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You will receive news that has you second-guessing your motives. By day's end, you'll realize you're on the up and up.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You're at the end of a long and busy phase of activity that has been, in the main, for the benefit of someone else.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) As you assess questions of quantity and quality, remember that your greatest rewards at this time combine both of these elements.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may not feel as though you're in the lead, but the position you are in will allow you some room to maneuver successfully.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) All means of communication will prove important as you try to pass on messages to one who depends solely upon you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It's time to lay down the law and insist those in your care follow your rules to the letter. Avoid any unnecessary conflict.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Things are likely to come down to the wire — and how you finish the day depends in large part upon how you started it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You and a friend needn't be at cross-purposes. Talk openly and honestly about what each of you wants; you'll come to an agreement.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You have been providing others with what they need recently, and it is time for you to focus more squarely upon yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Once you're able to communicate more freely, you'll want to be sure that you're sending the right messages. Preparation is key, of course.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You'll be able to knock down a few walls that have existed between you and a friend or loved one for too long. A new phase begins.

Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 145-155, BEST SCORE 233

A ₁	E ₁	O ₁	D ₂	M ₃	R ₁	C ₃
E ₁	O ₁	L ₁	N ₁	H ₄	G ₂	T ₁
E ₁	E ₁	O ₁	P ₃	L ₁	R ₁	X ₈
E ₁	O ₁	U ₁	N ₁	R ₁	T ₁	F ₄

3rd Letter Double

RACK 1

RACK 2

Triple Word Score

RACK 3

RACK 4

Friday's Solution

U ₁	N ₁	L ₁	A ₁	T ₁	C ₃	H ₄	RACK 1 =	62
F ₄	O ₁	R ₁	E ₁	P ₃	A ₁	W ₄	RACK 2 =	95
A ₁	I ₁	R ₁	B ₃	A ₁	G ₂		RACK 3 =	9
D ₂	I ₁	S ₁	E ₁	A ₁	S ₁	E ₁	RACK 4 =	60
PAR SCORE 140-150							TOTAL	226

FOUR RACK TOTAL

Make a 2-7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get a 50-point bonus. Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. Scrabble is a trademark of Hasbro in the U.S. and Canada.

Sudoku

EASY

	7					1	
9		3				7	5
8			4		5		9
	5		2	9	7		3
			5		1		
	1		6	4	8		9
1			3		4		7
4		5				6	1
	9						8

Friday's Solution

9	3	8	2	5	4	1	7	6
2	6	1	8	9	7	4	3	5
5	4	7	1	3	6	9	8	2
3	5	9	7	1	8	6	2	4
6	7	4	9	2	3	5	1	8
1	8	2	4	6	5	3	9	7
7	9	3	6	4	2	8	5	1
4	2	5	3	8	1	7	6	9
8	1	6	5	7	9	2	4	3

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Forecast

49 | 32

Today: Mostly sunny and breezy today. Partly cloudy tonight.

44 | 33

Tomorrow: Turning cloudy tomorrow. Snow, rain mixed in early tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead



39 | 30 42 | 28 47 | 31

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today: 6:41 a.m.
Sunset today: 6:01 p.m.
Moonrise today: 7:39 p.m.
Moonset today: 6:52 a.m.

Almanac

Normal high: 50
Record high: 82
Normal low: 33
Record low: -1

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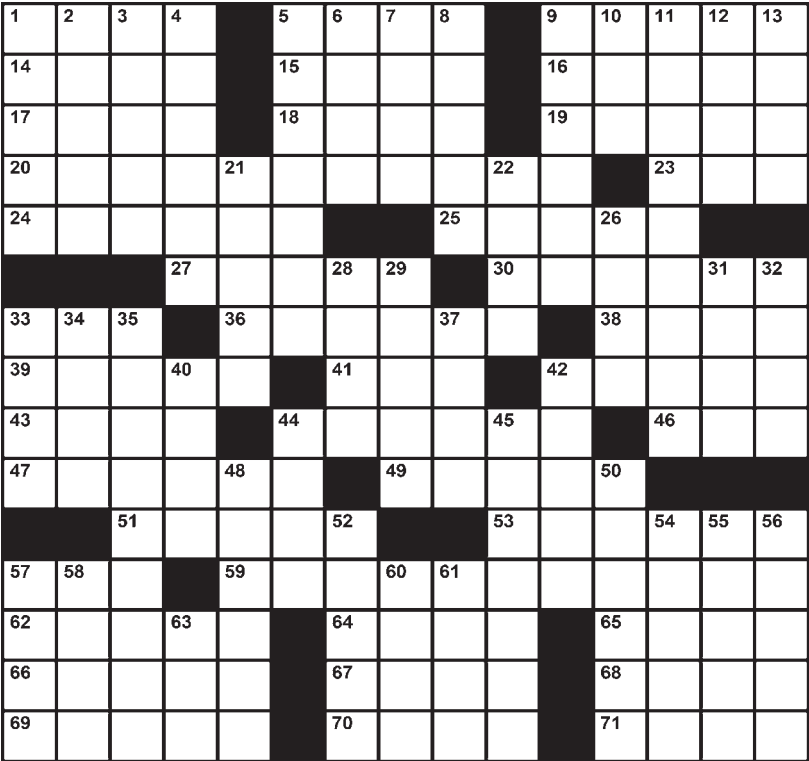
A PUZZLE FOR BROWNNOSERS

ACROSS

- 1 Anti-DWI org.
- 5 "___ my words"
- 9 Garden border tool
- 14 Gold medal-winning skater Kulik
- 15 Multivitamin mineral
- 16 Procrastinate
- 17 Dull and uninteresting
- 18 Groove cut into a board
- 19 "Laughing" scavenger of Africa
- 20 Chicken, so to speak
- 23 After dark, poetically
- 24 An amino acid
- 25 Tablecloth material
- 27 Long-eared beasts of burden
- 30 It's a chinch
- 33 Longest Swiss river (var.)
- 36 Draws with acid
- 38 Green plum
- 39 "___ or lose ..." (part of a fitness motto)
- 41 "Arabian Nights" menace
- 42 Travel by bike
- 43 "Sanford and Son" actor Foxx
- 44 Name on a book jacket
- 46 Younger, as a brother
- 47 Under optimum conditions
- 49 Purse part
- 51 Course
- 53 First-generation Japanese immigrants
- 57 Digit that may be big
- 59 Combat award
- 62 Cause euphoria
- 64 Dash of panache
- 65 Eye layer
- 66 Choir's platform
- 67 Smallest postage hike
- 68 "... which nobody can ___"
- 69 Classroom jottings
- 70 Little fellows
- 71 Appreciative verses

DOWN

- 1 Prophetic woman
- 2 Where you can hear pins drop
- 3 Cockpit array
- 4 National flower of Mexico
- 5 Corn Belt locale
- 6 ___ Republic of Egypt
- 7 Outlasted (with "out")
- 8 Small natural mound
- 9 Flammable gas used in welding
- 10 Twelve-hour period
- 11 Legal-tender bill, slangily
- 12 Atlantic bird
- 13 "Sleepless in Seattle" star
- 21 First appearance, as of symptoms
- 22 Ad-___ (improvises)
- 26 Envelope-pushing
- 28 Unbleached hue
- 29 Scoring attempts
- 31 Citrus hybrid



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- 32 Turned to the right
- 33 Enveloping glow
- 34 Words before "of rules" or "of china"
- 35 Robin, e.g.
- 37 It's genuine in Germany
- 40 Prefix with "logical"
- 42 Computer headache
- 44 Westernmost Aleutian island
- 45 Familiarizes with new surroundings
- 48 Building custodians
- 50 Prefix meaning "bogus"
- 52 In a vertical position
- 54 Having roof overhangs
- 55 "Flashdance" singer Cara
- 56 ___ the course (perseveres)

- 57 Certain seabird
- 58 Dish of many ingredients
- 60 "Do it just for me," e.g.
- 61 Ocean's end
- 63 It's supportive to golfers

Friday's Solution



Today in History

- 1692** The Salem witch trials begin in Massachusetts.
- 1790** Congress authorizes the first census.
- 1932** The infant son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh is kidnapped near Hopewell, N.J.
- 1961** President John F. Kennedy establishes the Peace Corps.

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**PARENTING****Rehab: The Perfect Environment for Babies**

Brooke Mueller, wife of Charlie Sheen and mother of twin boys, has brought her rehab team home with her, People.com reported. "Brooke's recovery efforts have been superb," said attorney Yale Galanter, who said Mueller had been reunited with sons Bob and Max. "Now that they are in their own home, Brooke intends to be the best mother possible." (EXPRESS)

GOOD WORKS**Young Star's Dazzling Blue Eyes Film PSA**

Daniel Radcliffe shot a PSA Friday for the Trevor Project, an organization focused on suicide prevention among gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered youth. "I have always hated anybody who is not tolerant of gay men or lesbians or bisexuals," he said. "Now I am in the very fortunate position where I can actually help or do something about it." (AP)



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Why, who is this dashing young rogue?

Whining**Semantic Details Only Make This Even Creepier**

Bret Michaels says "there is nothing I have to be defensive about" regarding "Nothin' to Lose," a slightly racy song featuring Miley Cyrus. "The part where it says she slowly gets undressed, Miley says, 'Yeah, she does.' It has no reference to her and I. It's not even a duet," Michaels told Usmagazine.com. (EXPRESS)



CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP

ACCIDENTS**National Treasure Is Safe**

Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi and Vinnie Guadagnino were unhurt Saturday when the roof of a New York City restaurant collapsed, Usmagazine.com reported. (Also on hand were Polizzi's boyfriend, Emilio Massella, and Chris Noth.) Ice from a skyscraper hit the glass roof, which shattered, injuring 10. "We thought the dj was beatin the beat hardcore but nope, the roof couldn't handle [us]," Polizzi tweeted. (EXPRESS)

**EMERGENCIES****Dr. Drew Vaguely Recalls Definition of 'Seizure' From Med School Days**

Gary Coleman suffered a seizure on the Los Angeles set of "The Insider" Friday and received immediate treatment from Dr. Drew Pinsky. Coleman was transported to a local hospital in stable condition. Coleman walked off "The Insider" last month after telling the attorney questioning him to "drown herself in the ocean." (AP)

"It will be tastefully done with lots of candlelights and lace, but it will be the sexiest thing he's ever been seen in."



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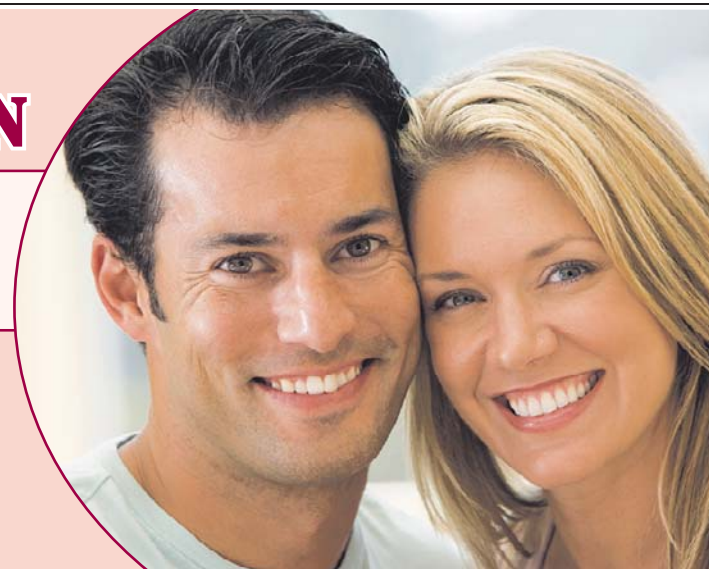
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